FARM NEWS

By J. A. Smith, County Agent

Care of Septic Tanks Important

How suburban and rural homeowners care for their septic tanks may spell the difference between health and disease.

Most counties and cities have local ordinances regulating sewage disposal, and these ordinances should be consulted before any disposal system is constructed. A septic tank permit from the local health department is required before the tanks can be constructed.

As for general care of septic tanks:

See that the area around the drain field is well drained.

If the land is high and well drained, grade it to eliminate low areas which will collect water in extremely wet weather. Water allowed to stand over the drain field will seep into the drain tile and fill up the entire system.

Keep area over drain field clear of trees and shrubbery. The roots of willow, cottonwood, dogwood, gum, or elm trees can cause damage to sewer lines.

Clean home systems at least once every three to five years.

Use bleach solutions, lye, etc., sparingly.

Do not make alterations to the system without first consulting your health department.

Do not allow heavy machinery to run over the system because it may break the tile or the septic tank.

Do not make a driveway over the drain field or cover any part of it with a building, as this will pack the ground and impair the efficiency of the system.

Corn Silage More Profitable Than Sorghum in Feeding Tests

A two-year study in Mississippi showed that corn silage is a more economical feed for milk production than sorghum silage.

In 1954-55, corn yielding six tons per acre at a cost of $7.00 per ton returned very slightly more income above feed cost per cow than Sart sorghum yielding 19.1 tons at a cost of $3.33 per ton of stored silage.

In 1955-56, corn produced 14.5 tons of silage per acre at a cost of $3.46 per ton. Tracy sorghum yielded 20 tons at $2.68 per ton and Sart grave 19.2 tons at $2.76 per ton. When the total feed cost was deducted from the Class I value of the milk produced, corn silage returned more income per cow per day than Tracy or Sart by seven and ten cents, respectively. With milk valued at manufacturing prices, these returns would have been three and four cents, respectively. This does not account for the difference in change in body weight which favors corn silage, since the losses of body weight, which occurred on the sorghum silage, will be reflected in less persistency of milk production.

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Richwood

Richwood, Oct. 9.- "A stone is heavy, and the sand weighty; but a fool's wrath is heavier than them both." —Proverb.

A. B. Hunter, Jr. spent the weekend with his family here.

Mrs. L. M. Ferguson and daughter, Judy, of Lynchburg, and Mrs. G. P. Brannan and daughters were the dinner guests Sunday of Mr. and Mrs. T. T. Wooldridge.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Paulette and children were in Lynchburg on business Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Hunter, Jr. were in Lynchburg Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. T. T. Wooldridge visited one afternoon last week with Mrs. C. C. Harvey.

Advertisement

From where I sit ... *by* Joe Marsh

Happy Swap

More and more farmers—who badly need hired help *sometimes*, but can't afford a *full-time* hand—are making deals with young town workers and the employers they work for.

For instance, young Hap Hooper now lives *rent-free* on Easy Roberts' farm. In return he works about 100 days a year for Easy—for a farmhand's pay.

The rest of the year Hap works for his "regular" boss . . . Buzz Ellis, the electrician. Buzz just speeds up his business when Hap's on hand—slows it down when he isn't—and, like Easy, pockets healthy savings in wages.

From where I sit, it's great how people with different backgrounds—and different viewpoints—can co-operate. How about more of us trying that? I live in a town—maybe you're a farmer. I'm partial to a good glass of beer—you may prefer coffee or milk. But we can make things pleasanter by ignoring differences and giving each other a "hand."

Joe Marsh

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Carver-Price School News

Hello Readers!

Thursday and Friday are holidays for us, as the County Teachers Association meeting is being held.

Mr. H. H. Hatchett, Assistant State Supervisor of Music, will spend three days in our county this week—Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. He will also be in attendance at the first day's meeting of the County Teacher's Association.

Next week ends our first six weeks' work. We are expecting good grades on our exams, and work thus far has been most interesting.

4-H Club meeting was held Monday, October 8, in the auditorium. Project work was discussed, the Hog Sale and show to be held in Lynchburg on October 20, and benefits of work done by various 4-H members. County Agent G. L. James was in charge.

The Senior Class met on Tuesday, October 9, with President Laura Fleshman presiding. Three one-act plays, to be presented during the first semester, were discussed, the circulation of three newspapers now being carried as a class project, and dues. Selection of class rings will be made October 15, when Mr. C. Smith, of Balfour Company will be present.

In the Girls' Physical Education classes, Speedball and Field Ball are now being played and enjoyed.

The Boys' P. E. classes, under Mr. Carrington Thomas, are drilling on football rules and plays, and we hope these students will be the future stars of our football team.

Carver Chapter of N. F. A. won second prize on their farm shop exhibit at the five county fair. The award was $8.00. The exhibit was arranged by Alfred Thornton and Walter Jones. The articles were made by the 11th and 12th grade boys.

On October 17, the N. F. A. boys will take part in the forestry judging contest of the Western Federation Activities at Charlottesville, Va.

The Student Council, in its meeting on Monday, October 8, decided that the guest speaker for its Installation Service will be from the Dunbar High School. The project of the Council now is collecting the names of all students who wish to correspond with a person of another country.

Until next week, our thought: "God hides some ideal in every human soul. At some time in our life we feel a trembling, fearful longing to do some good thing. Life finds its noblest spring of excellence in this hidden impulse to do our best."

Changes in Marketing

When the grocery bill seems high, it might help to consider that about a third of the items in the basket scarcely existed 20 years ago. Another third comes in an entirely different form. Instant pastry mixes and desserts, frozen juice concentrates, frozen fruits and vegetables, and prepared meats and dinners are new and different. Fresh foods, which used to be available only "in season," now are available all year.

Rats Cause Fires

Insurance companies estimate 25 per cent of fires of undetermined origin in the United States are caused by rats. They cause short circuits, ignite matches, and upset lamps.

The drive to increase cotton exports is having success.

FIRST FOR EACH

Phoenix, Ariz.- A woman motorist, stopped by a patrolman for going through a red light, complained. "This is the first ticket for me in all my years of driving." The cop, Andrew J. Best, admitted that hers was his first ticket — he had started working as a patrolman only an hour before.

BOY 12, AT HARVARD

Cambridge, Mass.- Among the freshman students at Harvard this year is Fred Safier, of Berkley, California. Fred, who is only 12 years old, plans to be a nuclear physicist.

STRANDED ATOP FIRE WHEEL

Pomona, Calif.- Twenty passengers aboard a ferris wheel at the Los Angeles county fair more than their money's worth when the center axle of the wheel snapped and left them stranded in their jiggly seats nearly three hours. Firemen, using ladders, were able to rescue passengers in the lower seats; those higher up had to wait for the county fire department to arrive with longer ladders.

Brazil offers to accept Lithuanian families from Africa.

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Father Darkleaf

By c. h. r.

have received a number of and calls identifying the pic- Confederate veterans printed last week's issue. Mrs. L. H. writes in to say that the from the right in the first her father, Mr. S. J.

just acquired a copy of Wayland's "The Pathfinder Seas" the life story of Matthew Matthew Fontaine one of the truly great sons ia. It was published back and is now a collector's ight off, in the early pages volume is something that in es, concerning a Virginia Many times, indeed, I have the area around the Matta- ver in eastern Virginia. But never knew was that up in Spotsylvania County, near ksburg, four small rivers The names of the four small are: the Mat, the Ta, the d the Ni. Near the southeast of the county, they all join r and form the Mattaponi.

bitch brings up another matter rginia rivers and their names. apid Anna got the first part e name from its swift currents e would hazard the guess the en Queen Anne of England, y, the river ended up being the Rapidan.

e long advocated a rule for e signs along the roads to passer-by the name of each Most states do this, but often ought in vain to see the f some sizeable stream.

gratulations' to Mr. Joel W. n, of Route 2. He will observe 82nd birthday on Saturt. 20.

Englander, president of ntax Garment Co., was a Navy Flight Instructor in War II. He has now purchased own private plane. He and Englander flew over Appomattox a flight to Richmond. And Bob' and son, JoJo flew up York to spend the week- ith his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Englander. Maybe Appomattox have to locate a local landfield for "Bob."

the truth and you will come right, but vary from the and you are in trouble. The Police at Appomattox are ing with great success a mod- Detector. That amazing, but simple gadget, can spot a clearly you must admit that n't lick it. Outstanding re- are already been secured in crimes by use of this device is further evidence that the ers are on the ball to see law is enforced and justice

of fellows like to boast of pen on at 1, 2 and 3 A. M., about the fellow who is up ting ready to go to work at A.! He sees a vastly different We were up at 5 A. M. to- y, but the days are getting And how late some are in to work, in Richmond last ay, I had a lot of business to to, and was up early. But I't find anyone else up and on . Finally, some shop began after 9 A. M. We were in of one place, and they were up tight. I went next door, ked if they opened on Satur- "Oh yes," they said "but never open until 10 any day!" the way to make a living, leaf- around during the best part of day!

thing to say: "The finest about Appomattox is all the folks who live here."

ACTIVITY OF

LOCAL GIRL SCOUTS

Troop No. 41, Girl Scouts, held ized meeting on Wednesday, ber 17, in the Elementary ol. All members present. officers were elected as follows: President, Sandra Trent Vice President, Katherine Taylor Reporter, Jane Wilson Patrol Leaders: Mary Lou Jamerson and Doris Mayberry.

Wednesday, October 24, the troop go on a hike. The second class ow a trail for the Tenderfoot girls.

Woman's Club is sponsoring Girl Scouts again this year.

Fall Flower Show Here Saturday, Sunday

The Fall Flower Show of the Appomattox Garden Club will be held Saturday and Sunday, Oct. 20 and 21, in the Elementary School cafeteria. The theme of the show is "Count Your Blessings," and many interesting and beautiful exhibits will be on display.

Mrs. F. F. Carr is chairman of the show, with Mrs. R. C. Hubbard as co-chairman. Mrs. S. S. Shouse is chairman of judges.

All horticultural classes are open to the general public. Arrangement classes are open to Garden Club and Junior Garden Club members. Exhibits may be entered in the show between the hours of 8 A. M. and 11:30 A. M. Saturday, Oct. 20. The entire Elementary School will be open and Junior Garden Club exhibits will be displayed in each room.

There will be a number of educational exhibits, and there will be a number of door prizes. For further Flower Show news, see Pages Three and Six in this issue.

There will be no admission charge but a silver offering may be made.

Democrats Ask For Full Party Support

A crowd that filled the local court house to standing room capacity, and overflowed into the courtyard, attended a Democratic party rally here last Saturday evening.

Representative Watkins M. Abbitt presided. He set the pattern of the rally by calling for full support of the Democratic candidates in the November 6 Presidential election. Reserving areas of disagreement with some portions of the national party platform, Mr. Abbitt stated that Virginia and the South would be better maintained in its way of life, government, self-respect and individual freedom under a Democratic Administration than under a Republican Administration.

Mr. Abbitt further stated that "In my opinion, if the Rtpublican Party goes back into power, we will have the so-called Civil Rights program enacted into law before July 1957. . . . We will be in a political straight jacket. The only hope for us is under a Democratic Administration."

State Senator Chas T. Moses, in introducing the visiting speaker for the evening, stated that the campaign of 1956 is a three-pronged deal, referring, of course, to the States Rights Party, the Republican Party and the Democratic Party. Mr. Moses said that "Our President is a wonderful man, but he is being used by big money, big industry and big manufacturers. They have not helped the farmer. What they have done is pulled him down."

The Appomattox legislator said that everyone has a right to vote as he pleases, but "I'm going to vote Democratic."

Hon. W. Griffith Purcell, the Vice-Chairman of the State Democratic Campaign Committee and the State President of the Young Democratic Clubs of Virginia, was the principal speaker.

The text of his address:

"First, permit me to thank Senator Moses for his most kind and more than generous introduction. You know, Charlie Moses was a man four years ahead of his time—a man who has so ably represented those who till the soil, turn the furrows and break the clods.

"It is with a feeling of reverence and pride that it becomes my privilege tonight, to visit this sacred shrine of the Confederacy and speak with the sons and daughters of Appomattox. Words are inadequate to describe to you my appreciation for the great privilege you have extended me to speak with you regarding the Party of our fathers, the Great Democratic Party. And it is altogether fitting and proper that we gather here tonight at the last bivouac of the Confederacy in order to attune our sympathetic and understanding ear to the thundering silence of the glorious dead who here lie buried beneath the sacred soil of this hallowed ground, in order to recognize their past sacrifices for the Democratic Cause and the preservation of States Rights -- which you, too, evidence by your presence here tonight, and is further evidenced by the sacrifices you have made, are making and will continue to make for the Democratic Party of your fathers.

"You of Appomattox, worthy and respected sons and daughters of Mother Virginia, born, reared, and nurtured in the traditions of Jefferson, Jackson, Lee and Woodrow Wilson — you who have your family roots deeply embedded in the Democratic soil of this grand old Commonwealth have fought the good fight and have kept faith with your heritage, the Democratic Party — which from time immemorial — yea, from such time that the memory of man runneth not to the contrary, has guided our political destiny. It is needless for me to attempt to relate the record of achievement and accomplishment made by the Democratic Party. Such record has been carved, not in sand, nor even in stone, but in the hearts of all Virginians, and will so continue forever and a day, in the hearts of Virginia generations yet unborn.

"A few years ago, in speaking of the Democratic Party, some few differentiated between the State Democratic Party and the National Democratic Party. Now those days have passed, and today we speak of the Great Democratic Party as one indivisible party with no geographical limitations or artificial boundaries. Today we do not have a party

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Blue Hornets Win Over Amherst 46-6

The Appomattox High School Blue Hornets, who have won five straight football games, will meet a strong Brookville High School team in a District 4 Group 2 league game here Friday night at 8:00 o'clock.

The Blue Hornets walloped the Amherst County High School team by a score of 46 to 6 here last Friday night. The scoring was done by the following boys: Sandy Burks scored the first touchdown when he caught a pass thrown by Raymond Ferguson and ran 40 yards for the tally. Terrell Martin scored the extra point. The second touchdown was scored by Bradley Babcock on an option play which covered 5 yards. Raymond Massie made the extra point. The third touchdown was made by Leon Edmunds on a run of 5 yards off right tackle. Freddie Mitchell made the extra point. The fourth touchdown was made by Bobby Conner, who recovered an Amherst fumble in the end zone. Fifth touchdown was made by Terrell Martin on a nice 60 yard run off left tackle. The sixth touchdown was made by Bradley Babcock on a quarterback sneak, Terrell Martin made the extra point. The seventh touchdown was made by Freddie Mitchell on a 40 yard return of a punt.

Elbert Maddox ran a kickoff back 50 yards for the Amherst score.

The boys who played: Ends: Raymond Ferguson, Sandy Burks, Bobby Conner, and Tommy Catlett; Tackles: Tommie O'Brien, John Paulette, Luther Reynolds, Wesley Carr, Jack Henry, Palmer Moore; Guards: Buddy Poe, Fountain Conner, Dennis Drinkard, Joe Fuller, James Carter and Sonny Doss; Centers: Joey George and Cecil Doss; Backs: Raymond Massie, Sam Kerr, Frank Phelps, Bradley Babcock, Freddie Mitchell, Steve Rankle, Dan Coleman, Arnold Whitehead, Terrell Martin, Leon Edmunds, and Carroll Ferguson.

The Junior Varsity team plays E. C. Glass Freshmen at Lynchburg on Thursday, Oct. 18, at 3:30 P. M.

Jaycees Met Monday Night

The regular meeting of the Appomattox County Junior Chamber of Commerce was held at the Appomattox Garment Company cafeteria Monday night. After the order of business, Mrs. Joan Smith, Coordinator of the DE and DO class at the local high school, presented an interesting program dealing with the activities of her group. She pointed out that the relationship between the employer and student under this program leads to a thorough understanding of the problems faced by both and gives them a chance to work them out before the student is ready for full time employment.

Visitors from the Lynchburg Chapter included Earl Campbell, National Director, and Fred Cawthorne. Earl reported on the progress of the State Headquarters Building in Lynchburg, and described some of the projects being undertaken by other chapters in the state.

Mass Meeting At Farmville

There will be a mass meeting on Tuesday, October 23, at 8 P. M., at Jarman Auditorium in Farmville. Hon. J. Segar Gravett, of Blackstone will speak on "Segregation and Constitutional Government as They Relate to the States Rights Party of Virginia." The meeting is sponsored by the Prince Edward County States Rights Committee. All local citizens are invited to attend.

Proposal for the Management Of the Christian Mem. Fund

Who Removed The Post Office Pens.

Recently, as part of a program of service to the public, post offices installed fine ball-point pens on the writing counters in post office lobbies. The dark green pens were attached to the counters by chains to prevent removal. In Appomattox last week-end some culprit showed utter disregard of public property and a possible $500 federal fine, by forcibly removing both the ball-point points. The pens are easily identifiable, and the post office people would be happy to find their current whereabouts.

JC Bulb Sale Tuesday Night

The Appomattox County Junior Chamber of Commerce will conduct its annual light bulb sale on Tuesday night, October 23, in an effort to raise funds for civic projects in Appomattox County.

Each bag of light bulbs will contain an assortment of sizes most commonly needed around the home, and sells for$ 1.00, the regular retail price.

The sale will get under way by 6:30 Tuesday evening. Citizens of the community are asked to cooperate by leaving a porch light burning. Residents in outlying areas may order bulbs in advance by contacting any Jaycee member.

EASTER STAR HELD REGULAR MEETING

Appomattox Chapter No. 10, Order of Eastern Star, held its regular monthly meeting on Monday night at the Masonic Hall. There was a School of Instruction, with Mrs. Georgia Goolsby, Assistant Lecturer, of Lynchburg, instructed the chapter in the work. Mrs. Veva Spain, Past Grand Matron of the Grand Chapter of Virginia Order of Eastern Star, and her husband, of Lynchburg, were visitors. Twenty-five members were present. Delicious refreshments were served by Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Carter and Mrs. Pearl Marshall.

JUNIOR WOMAN'S CLUB

The Junior Woman's Club will meet Tuesday night, Oct. 23, at the Appomattox Garment Company cafeteria, at 7:30 o'clock. Miss Harriett Holley will be guest speaker for the evening, reviewing a book entitled, "An Episode of Sparrows" by Rumer Godden. All members of the club are urged to attend.

At a meeting of the Board of Directors and Advisors of the Christian Memorial Fund, it was recommended that a meeting be called of all those who contributed to the fund and all other interested persons. This meeting has been scheduled for Wednesday, Nov. 7, 1956, at 7:30 P. M. The meeting will be held in the Court House at Appomattox.

The purpose of the meeting is to consider ways and means of managing the funds now on hand and other funds that may be contributed.

The following proposals are recommended:

First: That the Christian Memorial Funds be used for the education of the children of the late David A. Christian, III.

Second: Should the Christian Memorial Fund for some reason not be used for the education of the children of David A. Christian, III, then it is recommended that the fund be made available as a loan fund to medical, dental, or nursing students who are citizens of Appomattox County or adjoining counties.

Third: That the funds now on hand or that are later contributed be invested at the direction of the Board of Directors in order that the funds might produce an income until such time that they are used as set forth in the first and second recommendations.

All interested persons are urged to attend and bring their friends to this call meeting on Nov. 7, 1956, at 7:30 P. M., in Appomattox Court House.

October 26 Is Homecoming Day at A. H. S.

The annual homecoming of Appomattox High School will be held Friday, Oct. 26. The celebration will begin with a parade at 2 P. M. The A. H. S. Blue Hornets will play Fork Union B Team at the Town Ball Park in an 8:00 P. M. football game. A dance for the students and alumni will be held in the high school cafeteria after the football game.

Floats in the parade will be judged and there will be cash awards for first, second and third prizes. Each school in the county is being invited to participate in the parade as well as each civic organization and business concern of the town and county.

The homecoming king and queen of Appomattox High School and Elementary School will be crowned during half time at the football game. The winning floats will also be presented and prizes awarded at this time.

Now is Time to Begin Polio Shots, Advises Health Officer

The inclination to forget about polio as the danger season of the summer passes led Dr. H. E. Jenkins, Health Director of Appomattox County, to point out that even if the series is started now, as it should be, the three-time visit for Salk vaccine shots requires at least eight months.

The second shot is given four to six weeks after the first and the third should be given about seven months after the second. Thus, started now, the series would be finished when the heaviest polio period starts next July.

The Health Director expressed concern over the limited use of the vaccine in Appomattox County, and reminded that those in the age bracket from less than a year through 19, may obtain the series through public clinics conducted regularly at the Health Office. There is no cost at these clinics for the 0-19 aged group.

Clinics are held at the Health Office, Appomattox, on the second and fourth Tuesdays, at 10 A. M.

Ample supplies of the vaccine are also in the hands of private physicians, who may administer the vaccine to persons of all ages.

"The federal grant which provides the vaccine free at public clinics will end July 1, 1957. We have no way of knowing whether or not another appropriation will be made then, but it certainly seems sensible to avail ourselves of the vaccine while the present supply is obtainable under the current grant," he said.

The 35 to 50 per cent acceptance of the vaccine concerns public health officials, particularly when the reports of protection against paralytic forms of polio are coming in so strongly from across the country. Evidence is "almost conclusive" that the vaccine stands between the individual and the ravages of polio of the paralyzing variety, according to the Health Director's information.

Teachers Held 2-Day Work-Shop Meeting

On October 11 and 12, Appomattox County Teachers gathered at the high school for a two-day work shop. The theme of the meeting was: "The Teacher lives in the lives of her pupils." The program for the two days consisted of group discussions and inspirational addresses by speakers on special subjects.

Rev. Mr. Clyde Shelton led the teachers in devotions on Thursday morning, and on Friday, devotions were conducted by Rev. Mr. A. Randolph Hite.

The subject for discussion on Thursday morning, is "Consideration of Criteria for Evaluation of the Teacher in Classroomm Activities." Discussion leaders for this were Mrs. Sarah Wayne, Mr. Earl Smith, Mr. Kenneth Christopher, and Mrs. Carrie Gilbert. The recorders for each group reported to the entirt gathering at the conclusion of the discussion period. The recorders were Mrs. Louise Brown, Miss Julia Asher, Mrs. Jean Hesson, and Miss Mary Rives Black.

On Friday morning the Elementary teachers enjoyed a demonstration of art material by Mr. Cecil Wright, representative of Milton Bradley, while Mr. Christopher met with the high school faculty to discuss the philosophy and objectives of the school.

Of special interest to all was the address of Mrs. Dorothy Faulconer, General Supervisor of Buckingham County. She spoke on the very vital and relevant subject, "Every Teacher, A Teacher of Reading."

Afternoon meetings were group discussions on topics of special interest to the different departments. Elementary leaders on Thursday were Mrs. Sallie Martin, Mrs. Thelma Martin, Miss Flora Belle Williams; and high school leaders were Mrs. Mary G. Holland, Mrs. Carrie Gilbert, Mrs. Mary Taylor and Mrs. Gertrude Morris. On Friday the elementary teachers met under the leadership of Mrs. Pearl Lorado and Mrs. Iva Covington to discuss the reading program. Mrs. Frances Cheatham conducted the discussion for the high school.

On both days the teachers were served a delicious luncheon, compliments of the School Board.

Several additional meetings of like nature will be held during the year. Such meetings are of great value to the teacher in professional growth.

Demonstration Club Schedule

Schedule of meetings of Home Demonstration Clubs next week:

Tuesday, Oct. 23: (note change in day of meeting) Oakgrove Home Demonstration Club will meet at 2 P. M., with Mrs. Willard Fleshman. The demonstration will be given by Mrs. Reynolds and Mrs. Rubh.

Wednesday, Oct. 24.- The Spout Spring Home Demonstration Club will meet at 2 P. M. with Miss Virginia Shirey.

Thursday and Friday, Oct. 25 and 26.- Agents will be attending District Meeting of County Extension Workers in Farmville.